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13. (original) A method of processing files according to Claim 12, wherein said acquiring

further acquires a size of a storage area that stores at least one file, and said setting sets the

relative display position of at least one object corresponding to the at least one file, based on a

comparison result obtained by comparing a data size between the at least one object and the

storage area, and wherein said displaying and expressing represents visually the comparison

result via the another object.

14. (previously presented) A method of processing files, including:

acquiring values of a predetermined attribute for a plurality of files, in order to represent

the values of a predetermined attribute for intended files by using a concept of weight;

setting a temporary sequence for the plurality of files;

determining, based on the temporary sequence, a temporary display position of a

predetermined object that symbolically represents one of the files in terms of whether the weight

thereof is heavy or light;

displaying the predetermined object that represents the one of the files, at the temporary

display position on a screen;

comparing the values of a predetermined attribute between adjacent files in the

temporary sequence;

updating the display position based on a comparison result obtained from said

comparing; and

representing visually the weight thereof by varying display contents according to said

updating.

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15. (original) A method of processing files according to Claim 14, further including:

detecting a swaying motion of a predetermined apparatus operated by a user;

performing said comparing when the swaying motion is detected in said detecting;

updating a relative display position of the object according to the comparison result.

16. (original) A method of processing files according to Claim 10, further including:

acquiring an instruction from a user who intends to cause a display position of the object

to be changed; and

changing at least one of position, shape and appearance of the object, based on the

instruction.

17-19. (canceled)

20. (original) A computer-readable recording medium which stores a program executable by a

computer, the program including the functions of:

setting a relative display position of a predetermined object that symbolically represents

the files in terms of whether the weight thereof is heavy or light, based on a value of a

predetermined attribute for an intended file, in order to represent the value of a predetermined

attribute therefor by using a concept of weight; and

representing visually the weight by displaying the object at the relative display position

on a screen.

21. (original) A computer-readable recording medium which stores a program executable by a

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computer, the program including the functions of:

acquiring values of a predetermined attribute for a plurality of intended files in order to represent the values of a predetermined attribute therefor by using a concept of weight;

setting, for each of the plurality of files, a relative display position of a predetermined object representing symbolically the files in terms of whether the weight thereof is heavy or light, based on the values of a predetermined attribute; and

displaying on a screen the objects of the plurality of files at the respective display positions, and expressing visually comparison of the weights of the objects via another object that symbolizes weight measurement.

22. (original) A computer-readable recording medium which stores a program executable by a computer, the program including the functions of:

acquiring values of a predetermined attribute for a plurality of files, in order to represent the values of a predetermined attribute for intended files by using a concept of weight;

setting a temporary sequence for the plurality of files;

determining, based on the temporary sequence, a temporary display position of a predetermined object that symbolically represents the files in terms of whether the weight thereof is heavy or light;

displaying an object that corresponds to the plurality of files, at the temporary display position on a screen;

comparing the values of a predetermined attribute between adjacent files in the temporary sequence;

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updating the display position based on a comparison result obtained from said

comparing; and

representing visually the weight thereof by varying display contents according to said

updating.

23. (currently amended) A file processing apparatus, including:

an attribute input unit ~~adapted~~configured to acquire a value of an attribute for at least

one file in order to represent the value of the attribute by using a concept of density;

a comparison processing unit which compares the value of the attribute with a reference

value;

a position determining unit which sets, based on a result obtained from said comparison

processing unit, a relative display position of a predetermined object representing the at least one

file, the relative display position representing the value of the attribute in terms of the density in

comparison with the reference value; and

a display processing unit ~~adapted~~configured to visually represent the predetermined

object in the relative display position by displaying the object at the relative display position on a

screen.

24. (previously presented) A method of processing files, including:

acquiring values of a predetermined attribute for a plurality of intended files in order to

represent the values of a predetermined attribute therefor by using a concept of density;

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setting, for each of the plurality of files, a relative display position of a predetermined object that represents symbolically the files in terms of whether the density thereof is high or low, based on a value of the predetermined attribute; and

displaying the objects representing the plurality of files at the respective display positions on a screen, and expressing visually a comparison of the density of the objects with each other object.

25. (previously presented) A computer-readable recording medium which stores a program executable by a computer, the program including the functions of:

acquiring values of a predetermined attribute for a plurality of intended files in order to represent the values of the predetermined attribute therefor by using a concept of density;

setting, for each of the plurality of files, a relative display position of a predetermined object representing symbolically the files in terms of whether the density thereof is high or low, based on the values of the predetermined attribute; and

displaying on a screen the objects of the plurality of files at the respective display positions, and expressing visually comparison of the density of the objects with each other object.

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